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YORKSHIRE TENNIS

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THE TEAM

Board of Directors in 2025

Interim Chair	Chris Day
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Finance Director	Bob Lockwood
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Board Member	Rob Ratcliffe
Board Member	Angela Wood

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Dave Baggaley	Nick Fitzpatrick
Elspeth Lee	Helen Longstaff
Jonny Moore	Rosie Nicholl
Alison Steel	Peter Vann
Nat Wright	

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Please click on the links below for a list of their names:

[Yorkshire Tennis Presidents](#)

[Yorkshire Tennis Vice-Presidents](#)

■ Pictured above: Jordan Reed-Thomas and Scott Hillerby



INTRODUCTION



Chris Day
Interim chair,
Yorkshire Tennis

I am delighted to present to you our 2025 Annual Review which provides a record of our performance and outcomes over the last year. We have lots to celebrate, and I wish to thank all our clubs, volunteers, administrators, coaches, players and parents many of whom have gone above and beyond to contribute to these achievements.

Highlights include: a top three finish in the County Cup Race; strengthening our relations with clubs and helping them to improve their facilities through loans and grants; growing the sport of padel which is now firmly embedded within our structures; increasing participation particularly through our Open Court programme; building a network of junior development centres which produce players for county teams; employing two excellent county coaches whose prime focus is junior development; and last, but certainly not least, developing and delivering plans aimed at inclusivity and 'opening up the game'.

Add to these some fantastic on court achievements both nationally and internationally and we can be very proud of what has been achieved this year.

Underpinning these achievements are financial resources which are vital to what we do, and I am passionate about allocating our limited resources to the front line

which I know makes such a difference. Our partners and sponsors expect this, and I would like to thank them all for their generous contributions.

At Yorkshire Tennis we have an excellent team which we continue to strengthen but as always, we welcome interest from new volunteers who have the time, skills and motivation to contribute. Anyone interested in becoming part of the team should contact: secretary@yorkshiretennis.org.uk

On a final note, It has been an honour to serve Yorkshire Tennis as interim chair, but I have now passed on the reins to our new chair Paul Billington, who I wish the very best in this important role. These are exciting times for tennis and padel in Yorkshire and I am delighted that the building blocks are in place for both sports to prosper as we head into 2026 and beyond.

I hope you enjoy reading this review.

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PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS



Karen Mitchell
President,
Yorkshire Tennis

I am delighted to reflect on another successful and progressive year for our county.

Participation across tennis and padel has continued to grow, supported by strong club engagement, schools activity and community programmes. A key highlight of the year was our LTA

Awards celebration in March 2025, which recognised the outstanding contribution of volunteers, coaches, clubs, and venues across Yorkshire.

We were proud to support and welcome all our volunteers to the Redmayne Bentley Yorkshire Tennis Day at the Ilkley Challenger, showcasing International tennis and celebrating Yorkshire's rich tennis heritage and the phenomenal growth of padel in the county.

Our county teams have again performed strongly, and I would like to commend all players, captains, and coaches. In particular, congratulations go to our 11&U and 12&U boys' teams, who were crowned National Champions, an exceptional achievement and testament to our junior pathway.

Our NIC Yorkshire County Tennis Championships remained a cornerstone of the competition

calendar and 2025 showcased the second NIC Yorkshire County Padel Championships, reflecting the rapid growth of the sport. We were also pleased to support the NIC Yorkshire Visually Impaired Tennis League 2025, underlining our commitment to inclusive opportunities and ensuring tennis is accessible to all.

We continue to value our partnership with Rackets Cubed, a charity we proudly support. A visit during the year highlighted the vital work they do delivering after-school programmes for children from disadvantaged communities, integrating sport, education, and nutrition.

Financially and organisationally, Yorkshire Tennis remains stable and forward-looking. I extend my sincere thanks to our volunteers, staff, coaches, sponsors, parents, clubs and venues. Your commitment ensures we continue to grow tennis and padel across Yorkshire.



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UPDATES 2025

■ IN PLAY: the NIC Yorkshire County Padel Championships 2025, hosted at Padel Shed, Huddersfield



CLUB ENGAGEMENT



**Alison Steel Lead,
Club Engagement**

Wow, what a year of change 2025 was for club engagement at Yorkshire Tennis!

In February 2025 I was appointed club engagement lead, and I am confident that this year has seen more direct and effective communication with an increased number of clubs.

I am proud to say that we now have around 165 clubs who are associate members of Yorkshire Tennis and who are enjoying the benefits we offer. If you are reading this and you are unsure if your club is an associate member

of Yorkshire Tennis, please check using the following link: [Yorkshire Tennis Associate Member Clubs – Yorkshire Tennis](#)

March saw the launch of Community Engagement Grants, and I would like to thank Redmayne Bentley our grant sponsor for their generous support. St Peter’s Tennis Club in Shipley secured a grant from the Redmayne Bentley & Yorkshire Tennis Community Engagement fund to upgrade the roof on their clubhouse. In addition we launched our own small grants fund. Clubs supported through the fund included Rowntree Park Tennis Club in York.

We were delighted to support a diverse range of projects with eight clubs receiving Yorkshire Tennis Loans; six clubs were awarded Redmayne Bentley Yorkshire Tennis Community Engagement Grants whilst 35 clubs received grants from the Yorkshire Tennis Small Grants Scheme.

This means around 30% of associate member clubs received financial support from Yorkshire Tennis in 2025. Given this success we expect grants to be available

during 2026, so please watch out for further information from Yorkshire Tennis.

This year also saw the successful launch of our club webinars covering a range of club specific subjects aimed at supporting clubs to effectively drive their clubs forward. There were 55 attendees from a cross section of clubs who attended the webinars and given their success further webinars are planned in 2026. If your club has any ideas around topics for future webinars, please do get in touch.

Effective communication is key to our working together so if you would like to check that we have your club’s correct contact and email address, please contact Yorkshire Tennis as follows: Alison Steel at [clubengagement@yorkshiretennis.org.uk](#) or Jess Redfearn at [clubenquiries@yorkshiretennis.org.uk](#)

I wish your club the very best of luck for the 2026 season and look forward to working with you.



■ Ripon Tennis Centre received a loan from Yorkshire Tennis for an LED lighting upgrade.

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■ Rowntree Park in York, pictured here and below right. (Photos by Olivia Brabbs, courtesy of Rowntree Park Tennis Club). St Peter's Tennis Club in Shipley (below left) secured support to upgrade the roof on the clubhouse.





COMMUNITIES ENGAGEMENT



Nat Wright
Chair, Communities
Engagement

I would like to thank all members of the Communities Engagement Group for their commitment to opening up tennis to a wider demographic: Alice Robson, Zsuzsi Puskas, Ben Howarth, Jo Middleton, Caitlin Parker, Janiece Wallace, Vignesh Murali, Tee Tawona, David Wallace.

Over the last year we have supported uptake of tennis by

school children from underserved groups and increased gender equality by promoting participation for schoolgirls. We have also provided opportunities for schoolchildren to get involved in officiating and refereeing.

We're also committed to making our sports more sustainable through initiatives such as recycling tennis kits and racquets. We're at the start of a sustainability journey that we're excited to be a part of.

Our Open Court programme supports people with disabilities so that everyone can play tennis and padel. We already have many open court venues in Yorkshire but we are always looking for more. If your club is interested in becoming an open court venue, please get in touch with Ben Howarth who is doing a great job in leading this important work.

I would also like to thank our

sponsors Redmayne Bentley who have provided funding for community engagement projects and initiatives which have enabled clubs to become more inclusive.

We are delighted to have supported a number of new initiatives over the last twelve months, including a national first in setting up a tennis league for people with visual impairment.

We have also supported Rally Allies in delivering training to promote inclusivity in tennis for LGBTQ+ people in Yorkshire. We're keen to support clubs with initiatives designed to break down barriers and create a welcoming environment that allows people to play as their authentic selves with confidence and without prejudice.

We are also proud to partner with the charity Rackets Cubed, where we provide financial support for children



■ Open Court with Ability Tennis, Sheffield



at key stage two in under-served communities to receive tennis coaching. Consequently we are able to get tennis rackets into the hands of children who would otherwise be unlikely to take up the sport of tennis.

Finally, we have commissioned a professional videographer to work with our associate clubs to create case studies that capture and celebrate inclusivity in tennis and padel.

In summary we have had a hugely productive year in opening up tennis and padel across the county to support participation for all sections of

the community. We're keen to hear any good news stories you may have or any ideas you have for further developing this important work.

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INITIATIVE



**Chris Day Chair,
Initiative Committee**

Thank you to the following volunteers who make up the Initiative Committee: Geoff Newton, Bob Lockwood, Peter Vann, Ann Rushworth, Elspeth Lee

I am delighted to chair this committee which is responsible for raising funds for Yorkshire Tennis. Our LTA grant represents around 36% of our

income and therefore the funds raised by the Initiative Committee are crucial in ensuring sustainability.

We are grateful to all our partners and sponsors named below for their contributions and thank each and every one for their support which makes a real difference.

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- ATP Advertising and Marketing Ltd
- Black Diamond Investments
- Dunlop (Official Ball Sponsor)
- Hatch Communications Ltd
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- NIC Services Group Ltd
- Pure Retirement Ltd
- Redmayne Bentley (sponsor of Yorkshire Tennis Day)
- Springfield Healthcare Ltd

Benefits of becoming a partner

We have some fantastic partners who have been supporters of Yorkshire Tennis over many years. However, to ensure Yorkshire remains a leading county for tennis and padel we are always on the lookout for more and would welcome interest from companies who want to be associated with a strong brand with strong values, like Yorkshire Tennis.

We are committed to opening up the game of tennis and padel in Yorkshire and want everyone to play whatever their motivation, ability or background.

Any support you give will help us to achieve our goals and, whilst this may on its own give you a huge sense of pride and satisfaction, it may also help you to achieve your own social and corporate responsibility goals.



■ Thongsbridge Tennis & Fitness Centre topped the inaugural Yorkshire Player Development Centre leaderboard



■ NIC Services Group has generously sponsored the Yorkshire VI Tennis League (left), the Yorkshire County Padel and Tennis Championships

Our activities are predominantly volunteer-led and your support will efficiently impact Yorkshire Tennis ambitions for the county.

Additionally you will benefit from:

- Publicity from being associated with Yorkshire Tennis and our positive values
- Being able to use the Yorkshire Tennis brand
- Thanks and recognition for your support via our county website and social media
- Access to tickets for major sporting events

How to become a partner

If you would like further information or would like to discuss how to enter into a

partnership agreement, then email Chris Day: marketing@yorkshiretennis.org.uk

We are happy to have one-to-one discussions about developing a mutually beneficial relationship. Additionally, we have some limited corporate sponsorship opportunities available.

Finally, I would like to thank our life patrons who continue to provide donations and bequests to Yorkshire Tennis and to whom we are exceptionally grateful.

For a full list of life patrons or if you would like to know more about how to become one, please visit our website: www.yorkshiretennis.org.uk/patrons/

As a Yorkshire Tennis partner your backing will be used to support:

- Grassroots tennis in Yorkshire
- County training so that our players can compete effectively
- County teams competing in County Cup competitions
- The organisation of and prizes for the Yorkshire County Championships
- The county's elite players who need support to progress
- Coaching and equipment costs for county programmes
- Inclusion and diversity initiatives aimed at opening up the game



PADEL



Peter Vann
Chair, Padel Committee

Thanks to the team of volunteers who make up the Padel Committee: **Simon Bickerton, John Dunseath, Natalie Gill, Mark Hinchcliffe, Vanessa Cameron, Nicola Horn, Mike Tolman, Angela Wood, Jim Gaston.**

Yorkshire continues to lead the way in a year when Padel became widely acknowledged as a core part of the UK leisure landscape, with adult awareness rising to 55%

There are currently 32 venues and 104 courts in the county. 100% year on year growth with 50% of

participants new to racket sport.

We encourage all venues to register with the LTA (www.lta.org.uk/roles-and-venues/venues/venue-registration/) and become part of our Yorkshire padel family as associate members. The benefits include tons of advice and guidance, access to loans and grants and eligibility for hosting LTA competitions at all levels

Competition in the county was extremely healthy.

The Dunlop Yorkshire Padel League saw 44 teams across six divisions compete to become Yorkshire Champions. Congratulations go to all our winners and a huge thanks to Simon Bickerton for organising the competition which next year will be expanded again, to include juniors and seniors.

The NIC Yorkshire County Championships capped off a stellar year for padel in Yorkshire with 160 entries including a junior event and three age categories for male and female players. Thanks go to NIC Services Group our headline sponsors who have agreed a three-year deal.

Thanks also to Dunlop our official ball sponsor, and to Padel Shed, Huddersfield for hosting the tournament at their fabulous centre

Yorkshire featured strongly again at both national and international level:

The inaugural LTA National Padel Championships heralded UK 50&O age group titles for Yorkshire players – congratulations John Dunseath and Sally Fisher.

At the first UK County Padel Championships Yorkshire were all over it:

- in the open age group, all teams made semi finals
- 60&O men were winners, while the women’s and mixed teams made semi-finals
- 50&O all teams made semi finals
- 40&O women’s and mixed teams won, while the men’s team were finalists.

Further testament to the ‘Northern Padel Powerhouse’ were the nine women and three men from Yorkshire who represented GB this year. Congratulations to **Angela Wood, Sophie Cousins, Susie Azoulay, Sally Fisher, Nicky Horn, Helen Cowrick, Gilly Smail, Audrey Henderson and Sally Bickerton and Mike Tolman, Ben Gudzelak and John Dunseath**

So, it has been a truly outstanding year for padel in Yorkshire. We look forward to continuing our success in 2026 and beyond.



■ James Dong, winner of the 14&U Boys event with partner Travis Barber at the NIC Yorkshire County Padel Championships



■ Sally Fisher (above right) and John Dunseath (far right), winners at the inaugural LTA National Padel Championships



“ It has been a truly outstanding year for padel in Yorkshire ”



■ Women's Open team



■ Men's Open team



■ 60&O Men's team



COACH EDUCATION & ENGAGEMENT



Angela Wood Chair,
Coach Education and
Engagement Committee

Thank you to the following
volunteers who make up the
Coach Education and
Engagement Committee:
**Rob Ratcliffe, Alice Robson, Paul
Johnson, Steve McLoughlin, Joe
Gill, Nick Fitzpatrick, John
Loughton, Paul Hatton**

2025 has been a really good year for coach engagement with a strong relationship developed and maintained with our coach development centre, Leeds Beckett University. The synergy between the county and the coach development centre has been a true success in training new coaches and engaging with those already qualified.

Leeds Beckett University's contract has now come to an end and, from January 2026, Court Craft will become the new workforce development centre for Yorkshire and the North of England.

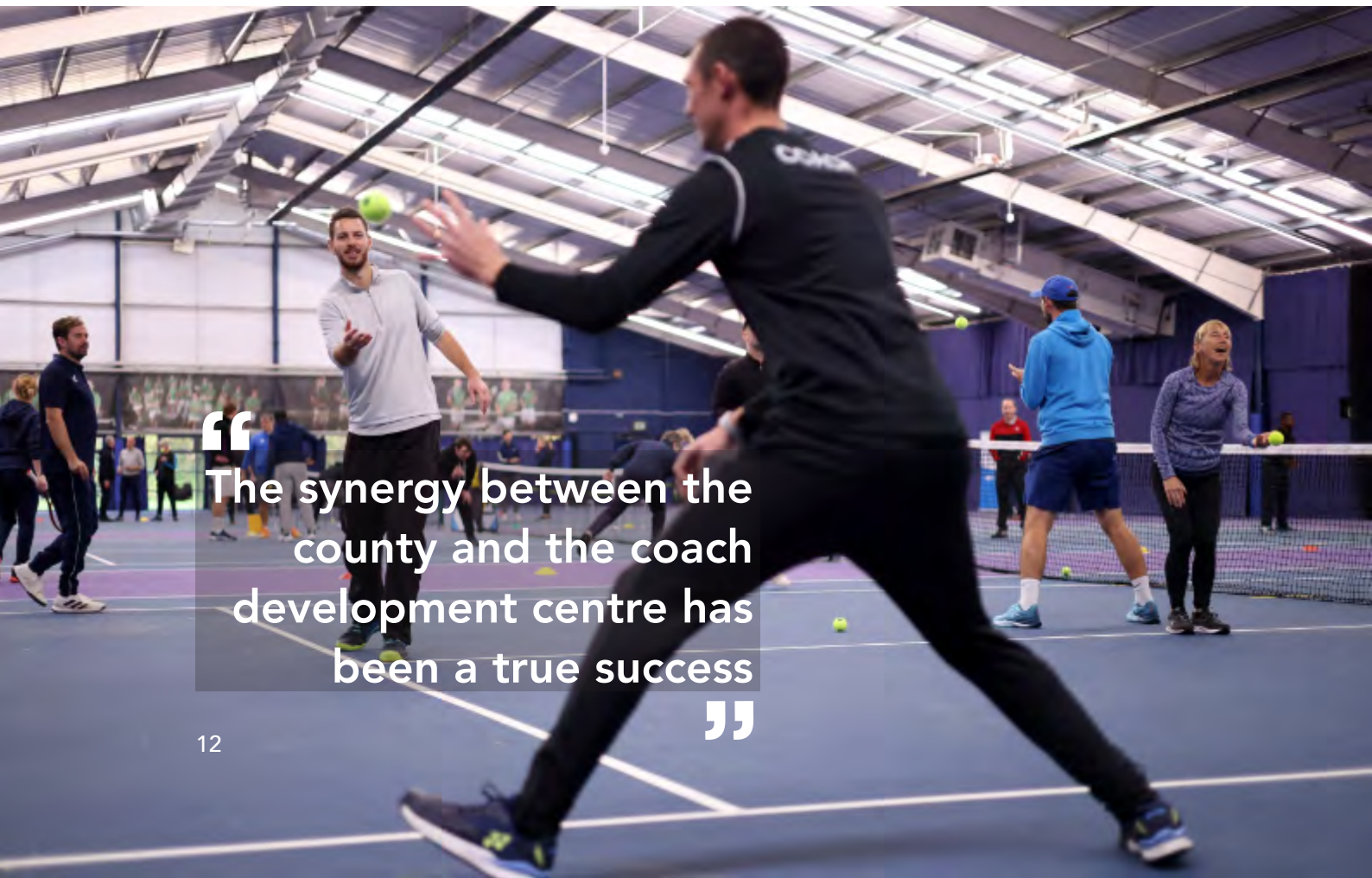
There have been many highlights during the year:

- Yorkshire Coaches Day was a huge success with guest speakers and seminars. A follow up event is planned in for March 2026, with three-time Grand Slam semi-finalist and

former British women's No1 Jo Konta confirmed as keynote speaker.

- Yorkshire Tennis provided grant funding for the *Get into Coaching* programme to help diversify the workforce and get people into coaching who are looking for a career change. The programme will be repeated in 2026.
- Largest LTA coach forum in the country held in Yorkshire with 44 coaches attending
- Over 100 newly trained tennis assistants, 20 tennis instructors, 16 padel instructors and eight Level 3 tennis coaches trained.

I will be stepping down as the chair of this committee in January 2026 but will still be a member of the group. Rob Ratcliffe who is a newly appointed director of Yorkshire Tennis will be in place as chair as of January 2026.



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PERFORMANCE



Nick Fitzpatrick
Lead, Performance
Management Group

Many thanks to our Performance Management Group: Joe Gill, John Loughton, Steve Holmes, Sally Bickerton, Rosie Nicholl, Andy Hutchinson, Helen Longstaff, Steve McLoughlin, Dave Baggaley and Angela Wood.

This year, Yorkshire Tennis has taken huge strides to level up the playing field through the appointment of two high profile coaches in John Loughton, 10&U head coach, and Joe Gill, 11&O head coach. John joined us in March and Joe in May and both are now settled in role and making massive strides in improving the togetherness, teamwork and quality of what we do, every day.

Many congratulations to the Yorkshire Player Development Centres, and also to the aspiring centres for their efforts and performance this year. This programme has been incredibly well received by the clubs, and in return, we should be able to measure an improvement in player participation and performance year on year.

As one year ends, we are busy planning and preparing for another. 2026 will see the impact of John and Joe's work flourish across the county and keep Yorkshire Tennis in the top three or better in the County Cup Race – fingers crossed for the latter.

Looking back over the year, there are many highlights across all age groups. I feel if I mention individuals I am bound to miss someone out who has also had an amazing year. A few are pictured over the page but, in a bid to cover all, I recommend you take a look at [TRAMLINES](#) the county's fabulous publication produced by Dave Baggaley, our marketing lead. Every success is captured here for you all to see and it is absolutely incredible!



The successes don't happen without a massive effort from all concerned and their support network; so, a big thank you to the county captains, players, parents, clubs and volunteers.

A big well done to Richard Crabtree, Steve McLoughlin, Sam Salt and the team at CV8 for a successful year at the Regional Performance Centre, Leeds Beckett University.

Yorkshire finished third in the County Cup Race this year again, closely behind Middlesex and Surrey, who remain firmly in our 2026 sights as the ones to beat.

I would also like to thank and pay tribute to our seniors teams for their huge efforts and successes, which the leaderboard does not showcase. Including our seniors would clearly boost our overall score and final position.

I look forward to leading the team again this year and doing my best for everyone involved in tennis throughout the county. Thanks again and best wishes to everyone for a successful 2026.

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■ Fran Jones reached a career high WTA singles ranking and made her US Open debut (Photo: Getty Images for LTA)



■ Luke Johnson reached the quarter finals of the men's doubles at Roland Garros and won ATP tournaments in Hong Kong and Barcelona (Photo: Jasper Jacobs/Belga Mag/AFP via Getty Images)



■ Boys 12&U crowned national champions in Nottingham



■ Hunter Henderson, winner of the U10 boys singles at the Lexus Junior National Championships



■ Finn Murgett, winner with Team GB at Master'U, the world tournament for university tennis

COMPETITIONS



Jonny Moore

Competitions administrator

This is my first year as competition administrator for Yorkshire Tennis and I would like to thank everyone who helped me settle into the role and supported competition in 2025. Overall, it has been a very good year for competition and below is a summary of the various tennis events held.

NIC Yorkshire Tennis County Championships

This year Dave Kitchen was welcomed back as organiser and referee. As usual he did a fantastic job in increasing participation and provided a full schedule of finals for supporters to enjoy.

There were some tremendous matches none more so than the men's singles event which produced a fantastic match between friends and rivals Jordan

Reed-Thomas and Scott Hillerby Competitor and parent feedback was strong, and we look forward to building on the Championships in 2026 by increasing entrant numbers and quality.

The cherished prize of being crowned Yorkshire champion should be an aspiration for many and we therefore encourage players to enter the championships which are held late August with Finals Day being Sunday 30 August 2026.

Dunlop Yorkshire Tennis Doubles League

A format of two pairs across all Yorkshire doubles leagues was agreed and has created a competitive mindset that every set and game could matter. A total of 23 clubs and 36 teams entered the competition which included three women's divisions and two men's divisions. In total more than 300 players participated in the leagues and over 90% of matches were completed.

Well done to competing clubs, competitors and league winners, and special mention goes to teamcaptains, who communicated

well throughout the season. We want as many clubs as possible to enter the Yorkshire League and we encourage all our associate member clubs to enter a team which offers clubs the opportunity to become Yorkshire Champions.

NIC Yorkshire VI Tennis Doubles League

This year saw some amazing work to establish the NIC Yorkshire Visually Impaired Tennis League. David and Janiece Wallace are the driving force behind this and, with Yorkshire Tennis, have established what we believe is the first county VI league in the country.

Four regional events were held and after a competitive season congratulations go to North Yorkshire who finished top of the league with South Yorkshire a close second. We are delighted to have NIC Services Group as league sponsors and look forward to working with them in 2026.

LTA Winter Youth League

The Winter Youth League is underway with a fantastic 94 teams having entered over 11 Divisions. The Youth League is designed to give juniors the

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Event	Winner	Runner up
Men's Division 1	Skipton Tennis Centre	Thongsbridge Tennis & Fitness Centre
Men's Division 2	Queens	Heaton
Women's Division 1	Huddersfield Lawn Tennis Club	Roundhay Tennis Club 1
Women's Division 2	Roundhay Tennis Club 2	Beauchief Tennis Club
Women's Division 3	Whitkirk	York 2



■ Yorkshire finalists, Play Your Way to Wimbledon



■ Huddersfield, Women's Division 1 winners



■ LTA Winter Youth League

opportunity to play singles and doubles against each other in a fun, competitive team environment.

Huge thanks to venues and organisers hosting 8&U and 9&U matches which include Graves (Steve Holmes and Joseph Newman Billington), Ilkley (Kyle Brassington and Pedram Zadeh), Huddersfield (Becky Lee), Queens (Lucy Dean), Leeds Beckett (Nicola Tweedy and Jayden Hobbs).

Recognition is important and Yorkshire Tennis have this year funded awards so that U8 and U9 competitors receive a certificate of participation presented with six awards for Super Server, Awesome Attacker, Magnificent Mover, Super Score Caller, Terrific Team Player and Awesome Attitude. For the winners Gold and Silver medals are also provided on the day. So far, events at Graves and

Ilkley have been a great success and there's much more to come this winter and beyond.

LTA Summer Youth League

A total of 115 teams entered the Youth Summer League providing competitions for club's junior players. Entries for the 2026 LTA Youth Summer League will run April to September and will provide more opportunities to play fun, competitive matches in the same format as the Winter League. We encourage all clubs to enter teams as we know how much younger players enjoy competing.

Play Your Way to Wimbledon

Events were hosted by 24 venues, resulting in three Yorkshire players participating in the national finals at Wimbledon. Well done to Thea Hodkinson, Joseph Holliday and Isabella Asmussen, who

represented the county. Although they didn't win the competition they came away with some fantastic memories. We want as many venues as possible to host PYWTW events and encourage players to enter so that Yorkshire is again represented on Wimbledon's iconic grass courts.

Graded competitions

Thanks go to all clubs, organisers and referees for organising over 700 graded events within the County. Competition is vitally important and we therefore need clubs, organisers and referees to make this happen. Vital to these competitions are Referees and organisers and this year saw an LTA Referees course held in Hull so that more people become qualified to run events. For anyone interested in becoming an official we hope to hold another course in 2026.



WINTER & SUMMER COUNTY CUP



■ Men's Winter County Cup team

Event	Captain	Team	Results	Outcome
Winter County Cup – Men 2025 Group 2a	Joe Gill	Kouros Anssarizadeh, Finn Murgett, Sean Hodkin, Jordan Reed-Thomas, Joseph Newman-Billington, Louis Hull, Paul Jubb, Scott Hillerby, JB Pickard	South Wales, Won 7-2; Buckinghamshire, Won 9-0; Kent, Won 5-2	Group winners
Winter County Cup – Women 2025 Group 1	Ellie Dean, Elena Bompieri (assistant)	Ellie Dean, Ava Moss, Beth Pratt, Emilia Linley, Lidia Burrows, Rebecca Hill, Liana Sharratt-Blanksby, Serena Nash, Orla Cooper, Sofie Woon	Avon, Lost 1-8; Hertfordshire, Won 7-2; Kent, Lost 4-5	Relegated to Group 2
Summer County Cup – Men 2025 Group 3	Joe Gill	Barney Fitzpatrick, Scott Hillerby, Sean Hodkin, Jordan Reed-Thomas, Jack Batchelor, Richard Crabtree, Joseph Newman-Billington, Louis Hull, Joe Kelt, Finn Murgett	Derbyshire, Lost 3-6; Nottinghamshire, Lost 2-7; Lancashire, Lost 2-7; Hampshire & IoW, Won 5-4; Suffolk, Lost 4-5	Relegated to Group 4
Summer County Cup – Women 2025 Group 1	Orla Cooper	Lucy Furness, Orla Cooper, Sarah Copley, Isabella Gibson, Millie Skelton, Jessica Ren, Bronte Murgett, Alice Brook, Molly Robinson, Rebecca Hill	Somerset, Won 8-1; Hertfordshire, Lost 4-5; Cheshire, Lost 3-6; Middlesex, Lost 4-5; Surrey, Lost 3-6	Relegated to Group 2



■ Women's Winter County Cup team



JUNIOR COUNTY CUP

Event	Captain	Team	Results	Outcome
8&U North County Cup 2025	Paul Hull, Alice Robson	Yorkshire A, Boys Charlie Taylor, William Mitchell, George Maden, Jack Ashcroft	Durham & Cleveland A, Drew 5-5; Northumberland A, Won 7-3; Cumbria A, Won 10-0	Winners
		Yorkshire A, Girls Penelope Garcia Whitham, Emilia-Rose Chan, Freya Debono, Emilia Willett	Durham & Cleveland A, Won 10-0; Cumbria B, Won 10-0; Yorkshire B, Won 9-0	Winners
		Yorkshire B, Boys Joshua Becks, Harry Ingram, Asa Beetlestone, Henry Scales	Northumberland B, Won 9-1; Cumbria B, Won 7-3	Winners
		Yorkshire B, Girls Martha Graham, Isabel Grace, Clare Goulbourne, Hannah Salt	Northumberland A, Won 10-0; Cumbria A, Won 9-1; Yorkshire A, Lost 0-9	Runners-up



■ 8&U Boys A



■ 8&U Girls A



■ 9&U Boys



■ 9&U Girls



■ 10&U Boys

9&U Boys County Cup 2025	Ed Appleyard	Hunter Henderson, Nadal Atwal, Joseph Rafael, Taj Aslam, Ibraheem Aslam	Qualifying: Durham & Cleveland, Won 6-0; Cumbria, Won 6-0; Lancashire, Won 5-1; Northumberland, Won 6-0 North Area Finals: West of Scotland, Won 5-1; Cheshire, Won 6-0; Lincolnshire, Won 5-1; Herefordshire & Worcestershire, Won 6-0	Qualifying: Winners Finals: Winners
9&U Girls County Cup 2025	Alice Robson	Willa Bramley, Hazel Cheng, Penelope Garcia-Whitham, Ella Cooper, Sophie Robinson	Qualifying: Durham & Cleveland, Won 6-0; Cumbria, Won 6-0; Lancashire, Won 4-2; Northumberland, Lost 1-5	
10&U Boys County Cup 2025	Ben Crichton	Hunter Henderson, Leo Hall, Isaac Ellis, Charlie Crabtree, Hugo Asmussen	Qualifying: Leicestershire, Won 5-1; Northamptonshire, Won 6-0; Nottinghamshire, Won 5-1; Lincolnshire, Won 6-0. North Area Finals: Lancashire, Won 5-1; North of Scotland, Won 6-0; Cheshire, Won 4-2; Warwickshire, Won 6-0	Qualifying: Winners Finals: Winners



JUNIOR COUNTY CUP

Event	Captain	Team	Results	Outcome
10&U Girls County Cup 2025	Ellie Makin	Aanya Bhamra, Ella-Grace Chan, Lizzie Greatorex Hughes, Ala Kaliszewicz	Qualifying: Derbyshire, Won 5-1; Cheshire, Won 4-2; North Wales, Won 5-1; Herefordshire & Worcestershire, Won 6-0 North Area Finals: East of Scotland, Won 5-1; Warwickshire, Won 6-0; Lancashire, Won 5-1; Cambridgeshire, Lost 3-3 (after shoot-out)	Qualifying: Winners Finals: Runners up



■ 10&U Girls



■ 12&U Girls



■ 12&U Boys



■ 11&U Boys

11&U Boys County Cup 2025	Reuben Newman-Billington	George He, Seb Brock, Sammy Goldthorpe, Will Grundy, Joel Morton	Qualifying: Direct entry to Finals Finals: Kent, Won 6-0; Surrey, Won 4-2; Nottinghamshire, Won 6-0; Middlesex, Won 3-3 (after shoot-out)	National Finals: Champions
11&U Girls County Cup 2025	Jake Fisher	Amal Khan, Mia Frost, Isabella Egglestone, Lizzie Greatorex Hughes, Thea Hodkinson	Qualifying: Durham & Cleveland, Won 3-3 (after shoot-out); Lancashire, Lost 2-4; Leicestershire, Won 5-1	Qualifying: 5th place
12&U Boys County Cup 2025	Ben Crichton	Max Hodkinson, Seb Beetlestone, George He, Oliver Beddall, Harrison McHugh, Luca Vladea-Holden	Qualifying: Direct entry to Finals Finals: Sussex, Won 6-0; Kent, Won 5-1; Middlesex, Won 5-1; West of Scotland, Won 3-3 (after shoot-out)	National Finals: Champions



JUNIOR COUNTY CUP

Event	Captain	Team	Results	Outcome
12&U Girls County Cup 2025	Nicola Tweedy	Alessia Piani, Evie Capewell, Emmanuella Idemudia, Isabella Egglestone, Natalia McSherry	Qualifying: Direct entry to Finals Finals: Surrey, Lost 2-4; Derbyshire, Won 4-2; Lancashire, Won 3-3 (after shoot-out); Warwickshire, Lost 1-5	Position: 4th place
14&U Boys County Cup 2025	Simon Frieze	Neo Hodkinson, Max Hodkinson, Torsten Stephenson, Seb Beetlestone, Ben Winterbottom	Qualifying: Direct entry to Finals Finals: West of Scotland, Won 5-1; Surrey, Lost 1-5; Kent, Won 4-2; Essex, Lost 3-3 (after shoot-out)	Position: 4th place
14&U Girls County Cup 2025	Val Vladea	Roberta Gaskell, Elsa Smith, Sylvie Nichols, Olivia Jackowska, Emmanuella Idemudia	Qualifying: East of Scotland, Won 5-1; Northamptonshire, Won 5-1; Cheshire, Won 4-2 Finals: Surrey, Lost 1-5; Dorset, Lost 3-3 (after shoot-out); Essex, Lost 1-5; Suffolk, Won 6-0	Qualifying: Winners Position: 7th place
18&U Boys County Cup 2025 Group 1	Joseph Newman-Billington, Paul Johnson	Louis Hull, Harry Abel, Joseph Mazingham, Kouros Anssarizadeh, Toby Shaw, Tom Oliver, Louis Stewart, Henry Redfern, Isaac Sallu	North of Scotland, Won 8-1; Surrey, Lost 4-5; Lancashire, Walkover Win	Runners-up
18&U Girls County Cup 2025 Group 2a	Rowan Moss	Amelia Baranska, Beth Pratt, Isabella Swanborough, Ava Moss, Holly Huby, Emilia Linley, Elizabeth Tate, Vanessa Mueller, Isabella Moss, Rose O'Donovan McCann	Avon, Lost 1-8; Cheshire, Lost 3-6; Cambridgeshire, Lost 4-5	Relegated to Group 3



■ 14&U Boys & Girls



■ 12&U Girls



■ 18&U Girls



■ 18&U Boys



SENIORS COUNTY CUP

Event	Captain	Team	Results	Outcome
Men's 35&O County Cup 2025, Group 1	Ben Gudzelak	Joe Gill, Richard Crabtree, Ben Gudzelak, Mike Tolman, Peter Hall	Oxfordshire, Won 3-2; Derbyshire, Lost 2-3; Surrey, Won 3-2	Runners-up
Women's 35&O County Cup 2025, Group 2b	Carina May	Kim Holland, Carina May, Danielle Brown, Louise Evans, Nicola Mooney	Cheshire, Won 3-2; Nottinghamshire, Won 4-1; Lancashire, Won 2-1	Promotion to Group 1
Women's 40&O County Cup 2025, Group 2a	Joanna Morris	Helen Myles, Joanna Morris, Natalie Gill, Jane Manson, Jill Le Pla, Rosie Nicholl, Laura Morris, Danielle Brown	North of Scotland, Lost 0-5; Lancashire, Lost 2-3; Shropshire, Won 3-2; Northumberland, Won 5-0; Cambridgeshire, Lost 1-4	3rd place



Men's 45&O County Cup 2025, Group 1a	Steve Shipley	Paul Ranson, Steve Shipley, Philippe Bourgeois, Daniel Carnie, Tomas David, Simon Frieze, Andy Hutchinson	Lincolnshire, Won 5-0; Leicestershire, Won 4-1; Cheshire, Won 5-0; Staffordshire, Won 3-2 Final: Kent, Lost 2-3	National runners-up
Women's 50&O County Cup 2025, Group 1a	Becky Lee	Becky Lee, Gillian Kilner, Catherine Baker, Sarah Gorman, Karen Mitchell, Sarah Thomas, Kate Charnock	Warwickshire, Won 5-0; Buckinghamshire, Won 4-1; Cambridgeshire, Won 5-0; Cheshire, Won 5-0; Essex, Won 3-2 Final: Middlesex, Lost 1-3	National runners-up
Women's 55&O County Cup 2025, Group 1b	Clare Johnson	Clare Johnson, Katherine Elgar, Judith Abel, Helen Cowlrick, Gayle Audley	Warwickshire, Lost 2-3; Lancashire, Won 3-2; Hertfordshire, Lost 1-4; Lincolnshire, Won 4-1	2nd place
Men's 60&O County Cup 2025, Group 1a	Paul Layfield	Andy Hutchinson, Paul Layfield, Gareth Hutchinson, Roger Kuhlmann, Andrew Hepton	Lancashire, Won 3-2; Buckinghamshire, Lost 1-4; Leicestershire, Lost 2-3; Warwickshire, Won 3-2; South Wales, Lost 1-4	4th place



SENIORS COUNTY CUP

Event	Captain	Team	Results	Outcome
Women's 60&O County Cup 2025, Group 1a	Belinda Turnbull	Gillian Brook, Belinda Turnbull, Wendy Stirke, Louise Lister, Sarah Gorman, Sue Bolton, Kate Holdsworth	Lincolnshire, Won 3-2; Buckinghamshire, Won 5-0; Norfolk, Won 5-0; Derbyshire, Lost 2-3; Kent, Lost 1-4	3rd place
Men's 65&O County Cup 2025, Group 1a	Myles Collett	Myles Collett, Marcus Hewlett, Peter Vann, Ross Leventhal, Czes Wegrzynski, Peter Gray, Christopher Dight	Derbyshire, Won 3-2; Cheshire, Won 3-2; Warwickshire, Lost 0-5; Buckinghamshire, Lost 1-4; Middlesex, Lost 1-4	Relegated to Group 2
Women's 65&O County Cup 2025, Group 2b	Janice Ashman	Janice Ashman, Margaret Bottomley, Susan Brass, Christine Dalton, Susan Graney	Derbyshire, Won 3-1; Lincolnshire, Won 3-1; Nottinghamshire, Won 3-1; Leicestershire, Won 4-0	Promotion to Group 1
Men's 70&O County Cup 2025, Group 1b	Steve Batte	Steve Batte, Andrew Mears, Andrew Clipson, Geoff Wright, Peter Gray, Alan Cockman	Cheshire, Lost 0-5; Hertfordshire, Lost 0-5; Warwickshire, Won 4-1; Staffordshire, Lost 1-4; Lincolnshire, Lost 2-3	Relegated to Group 2
Women's 70&O County Cup 2025, Group 1a	Audrey Reed	Audrey Reed, Susan Welch, Rosie Connell, Pauline Knight, Yvonne Richards	Lancashire, Lost 2-2 (on games won); Warwickshire, Won 4-0; Shropshire, Lost 2-2 (on sets won); South Wales, Lost 1-3; Cheshire, Lost 0-4	Relegated to Group 2
Men's 75&O County Cup 2025, Group 1	Wilf Jessop	Wilf Jessop, Gregory Pearson, Giles Hinchcliffe, David Allerton, John Andrews, Robert Martin	Warwickshire, Won 4-0; Middlesex, Won 4-0; Leicestershire, Won 3-1; Cumbria, Won 2-2 (on sets won); Lancashire, Won 3-1 Final: Kent, Lost 0-4	National runners-up





YORKSHIRE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS



■ Sabeehah Khan



■ Niamh Sutherland



■ Jordan Reed-Thomas



■ Scott Hillerby

NIC Yorkshire Tennis County Singles Champions 2025

Men	Jordan Reed-Thomas	10&U Boys	Hugo Asmussen
Women	Niamh Sutherland	10&U Girls	Ella-Grace Chan
18&U Boys	Theo Webster	9&U Boys	Joseph Rafael
18&U Girls	Sabeehah Khan	9&U Girls	Willa Bramley
16&U Boys	Sebastian Wraith-Lobley	8&U Boys	Charlie Taylor
16&U Girls	Amelia Baranska	8&U Girls	Penelope Garcia-Witham
14&U Boys	Ben Winterbottom	Men's Wheelchair	Lucas Town
14&U Girls	Roberta Gaskell	35&O Men	Matthew Stubbs
12&U Boys	Harrison McHugh	35&O Women	Danielle Brown
12&U Girls	Emmanuella Idemudia	50&O Men	Mark Coombes
11&U Boys	Reggie Ennis-Hill	55&O Men	Craig Jarrom
11&U Girls	Isabella Egglestone	65&O Men	Czes Wegrzynski



■ Niamh Sutherland



■ Roberta Gaskell



■ Hugo Asmussen



■ Theo Webster



■ Amelia Baranska



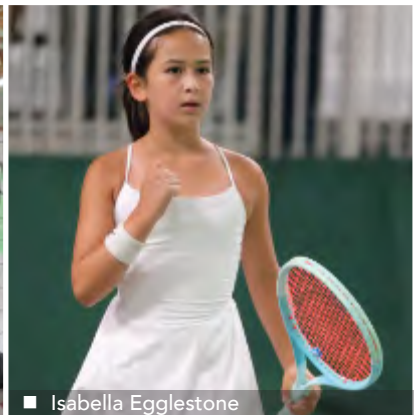
■ Sebastian Wraith-Lobley



■ Harrison McHugh



■ Tournament referee, Dave Kitchen



■ Isabella Egglestone



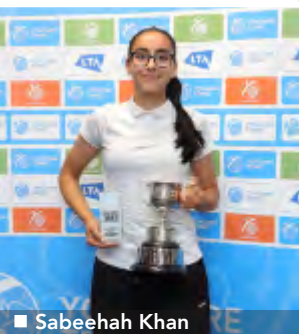
■ Ben Winterbottom



■ Emmanuella Idemudia



■ Ella-Grace Chan



■ Sabeehah Khan

NIC Yorkshire County Doubles Champions 2025

Men	Scott Hillerby & Jordan Reed-Thomas
Women	Roberta Gaskell & Sabeehah Khan
Mixed	Thomas Nailor & Ava Moss
18&U Boys	Thomas Nailor & Toby Shaw
18&U Girls	Ava Moss & Evie Parkin
16&U Boys	Tanish Rokade & Sebastian Wraith-Lobley
16&U Girls	Daisy Betts & Camille Sharratt-Blanksby
14&U Boys	Harrison McHugh & Ben Winterbottom
14&U Girls	Isla Skelton & Imogen Stevens
14&U Mixed	Neo Hodkinson & Roberta Gaskell
12&U Boys	Reggie Ennis-Hill & Piotr Janda
12&U Girls	Emmanuella Idemudia & Natalia McSherry
11&U Boys	Leo Hall & Sebastian Pitcher
11&U Girls	Isabella Egglestone & Lizzie Greatorex Hughes
10&U Boys	Hugo Asmussen & Leo Hall
10&U Girls	Ella-Grace Chan & Lizzie Greatorex Hughes
50&O Men	Gavin Hosford & Steve Shipley
60&O Men	Stephen Batte & Alan Cockman
55&O Mixed	Stephen Bottomley & Anwen James-Richards



■ Jordan Reed-Thomas & Scott Hillerby

NIC Yorkshire County Padel Champions 2025

Men	Alberto Crespo Casal & Gavin Davison
40&O Men	John Dunseath & Mike Tolman
50&O Men	Simon Dickinson & John Dunseath
50&O Women	Helen Cowlrick & Gillian Smail
60&O Men	Nick Holloway & Peter Vann
60&O Women	Sally Bickerton & Audrey Henderson
14&U Boys	Travis Barber & James Dong



■ Simon Dickinson & John Dunseath



■ Gillian Smail & Helen Cowlrick



■ 60&O Men's Finalists



■ Boys 14U Competitors





ACHIEVEMENTS

LTA Tennis Awards

Award	Winner	Highly Commended
Club of the Year	Chapel Allerton Lawn Tennis & Squash Club	Wetherby Padel Club
Coach of the Year	Pete Bridgewater	Jamie Costa
Performance Coach of the Year	Calvin Betton	Richard Crabtree
Tennis Opened Up	Longley Tennis Club	
School of the Year	Bradford Grammar School	
University of the Year	University of Sheffield Tennis Club	Leeds Beckett University
Young Person of the Year	Dahlia Levin* Posthumous Award. Collected by Garry and Ismat Levin	
Park Venue of the Year	Hexthorpe Tennis in the Park	
Competition of the Year Award	East Yorkshire Junior Winter Series	
Lifetime Achievement	Steve McLoughlin	Belinda Turnbull
Official of the Year	Robert Balmforth	Mark Hinchliffe
Volunteer of the Year	Malek Murison	



■ Coach & Competition: Pete Bridgewater and East Yorkshire Junior Winter Series



■ University of the Year: Sheffield University Tennis Club

Yorkshire Tennis Awards

Award	Trophy	Award winner
Women's Winter County Cup	Headingley Trophy	Orla Cooper
Men's Winter County Cup	Howden Trophy	Joseph Newman-Billington
Best Performance Girls 18&U County Cup	Mallen Trophy	Beth Pratt
Best Performance Boys 18&U County Cup	YLTA Trophy	Kouros Anssarizadeh
Women's Summer County Cup	Harry Smedley Salver	Alice Brook
Men's Summer County Cup	Bernard Austin Trophy	Finn Murgett
Most Improved Player – Girls	YLTA Trophy	Ava Moss
Most Improved Player – Boys	Brian Mitchell Trophy	Toby Shaw

National and County Tennis Team Awards

Award	Team
Women's 50&O County Cup, Group 1a Winners and National Runners Up	Becky Lee (Captain), Karen Mitchell, Katie Charnock, Sarah Thomas, Gillian Kilner, Catherine Baker, Sarah Gorman
Men's 45&O County Cup Team, Group 1a Winners and National Runners Up	Steve Shipley (Captain), Tomas David, Simon Frieze, Dan Carnie, Paul Ranson, Philippe Bourgeois and Andy Hutchinson
Men's 75&O County Cup, Group 1a Winners and National Runners Up	Wilf Jessop (Captain), Greg Pearson, Giles Hinchcliffe, John Andrews, Dave Allerton, Bob Martin



■ Club of the Year: Chapel Allerton



■ Tennis Opened Up: Longley Tennis Club



■ Official: Rob Balmforth



■ School: Bradford Grammar



■ Park Venue: Hexthorpe



■ Performance Coach: Calvin Betton



■ Lifetime Award: Steve McLoughlin



■ Young Person: Dahlia Levin



■ Volunteer: Malek Murison



National & County Padel Team Awards

Title	Team
Mixed 40&O UK County Padel Champions	Natalie Gill and Mike Tolman (captains), Angela Wood, Sophie Cousins, Susie Azoulay, Sally Fisher, Mike Wilkins, Ben Gudzelak, John Dunseath, Mark Hinchcliffe
Women's 40&O UK County Padel Champions	Natalie Gill (Captain), Angela Wood, Sophie Cousins, Susie Azoulay, Sally Fisher
Men's 60&O UK County Padel Champions	Nick Holloway, Jonathan Sowden, Mike Coombs, Jonny Fuller, Mick Barraclough



National & International Achievement

Tennis	Winner
12&U GB Winter and Summer Cup; Carlos Moya 12&U Festival; 12&U Lexus Junior National Champion	Max Hodkinson
WTA 36° Palermo Women's Open Champion; WTA 125 Grand Est Open 88, Champion	Fran Jones
Barcelona Open Men's Doubles Champion; Monza Challenger Men's Doubles Champion; Hong Kong Open Men's Doubles champion	Luke Johnson
ITF M25 Champaign Champion; M25 Aldershot Champion; M25 Santa Margherita di Pula Champion	Paul Jubb



Tennis	Team
Yorkshire 12&U Boys, National Champions	Ben Crichton (Captain), Patrick Di Maio (Vice captain), George He, Max Hodkinson, Harrison McHugh, Luca Vladea-Holden, Oliver Beddall, Seb Beetlestone
Yorkshire 11&U Boys, National Champions	Reuben Newman-Billington (Captain), Pablo Mills (Vice captain), George He, Seb Brock, Will Grundy, Joel Morton, Sammy Goldthorpe

Padel	Winner
National 50&O Men's Doubles Champion	John Dunseath
National 50&O Women's Doubles Champion	Sally Fisher

Yorkshire Tennis President's Award



President's Award: Angela Wood & Sophie Cousins

Tennis
Daniel Davies-Riand (posthumous)
Padel
Angela Wood, Sophie Cousins

Yorkshire County Colours

Title	Winner
Men	Sean Hodkin, Barney Fitzpatrick, Louis Hull
35&O	Kim Holland, Louise Evans
40&O	Joanna Morris
55&O	Judith Abel
70&O	Audrey Reed
18&U Girls	Holly Huby, Beth Pratt
18&U Boys	Louis Hull, Harry Abel, Joseph Mazingham, Kouros Anssarizadeh, Henry Redfern



FINANCE



Bob Lockwood Chair, Audit & Finance Committee

Yorkshire Tennis has again had a successful year promoting and supporting tennis and padel across the county. Highlights include:

- our first full year of running the Regional Player Development Centre in Leeds
- working with clubs to establish eight Yorkshire Player Development Centres to support the development of talented young players
- establishing a successful county padel championship and padel league
- supporting the development of a visually impaired tennis league.

Income in 2025 was approximately £611,000 compared to £381,000 in 2024. The 2025 income included an additional £124,000 from our partners, an additional £52,000 from the LTA and an additional £54,000 in training fees.

The individuals and companies that support our work provided approximately 45% our income in 2025 and we could not do all the work that we are able to undertake

without their generous support. The increase in their contribution has enabled us to provide greater assistance to tennis clubs throughout Yorkshire.

Increases in grants from the LTA and income from training fees arose mainly because 2025 included the first full year of our running the Regional Player Development Centre in Leeds. Grants from the LTA accounted for just over 30% of our income and we continue to enjoy a very positive relationship with the LTA.

Training fees accounted for approximately 18% of our income. We got approximately 3% of our income from competition fees and 3% from interest on our cash balances.

Expenditure in 2025 was approximately £535,000 and we had a surplus for the year of £74,000 before tax. We incurred a tax charge of £14,000 meaning our retained surplus was £60,000.

Of our expenditure: approximately 5% (7% in 2024) was spent on running Yorkshire Tennis Limited; 14% (24% in 2024) on encouraging participation; 26% (31% in 2024) on arranging and financing competitions; and 55% (32% in 2023) on providing high quality training.

The large increase in the amount spent on training (and the decrease, therefore, in the amounts spent in other areas) reflects the cost of running the RPDC for a full year.

The directors of Yorkshire Tennis are committed to ensuring as much as possible of our income gets spent on supporting and developing tennis and padel in Yorkshire. We do not aim to grow

our reserves unnecessarily.

The growth in our reserves this year arose mainly because the generosity of our partners provided more income than we expected and more than we could spend sensibly in the year. Given the increase in the size of our operations in 2025, we did need to increase our reserves in order to comply with our Articles of Association and with LTA guidance on the level of reserves we should hold.

Given the growth of padel in Yorkshire, it is clear that going forward our expenditure will need to rise further if we are to provide the same level of support to padel as we currently provide to tennis and we will need to find new sources of income to achieve this.

Our balance sheet remains strong. At the end of 2025 we had £530,000 in cash reserves. This means we have been able to agree several, interest free loans to Yorkshire tennis clubs. By the end of the first quarter of 2026, we will have £330,000 outstanding compared to £218,000 at the end of 2024. Such loans are a core part of our supporting member tennis clubs in Yorkshire.

Our cash reserves are in line with the LTA best practice of holding cash equivalent to between 12 and 24 month's expenditure. It is not our aim to keep growing our reserves and we have set a break-even budget for 2026.



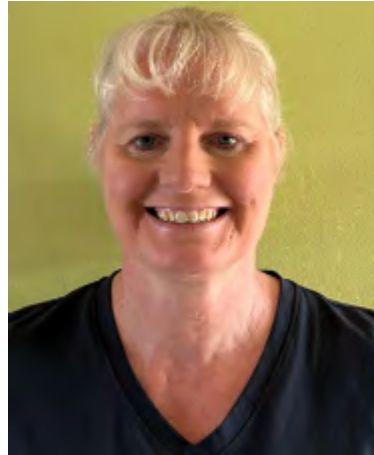
SAFEGUARDING



Rosie Nicholl & Helen Longstaff
County Safeguarding Officers

Over the last year, Yorkshire Tennis has continued to make safeguarding a key priority across all affiliated clubs, venues and programmes. Our focus remains on creating safe, welcoming and inclusive environments where children, young people and adults at risk can enjoy tennis with confidence, in line with LTA standards.

All clubs are reminded of the LTA's main safeguarding expectations. Each venue must have an



appointed welfare officer who is registered with the LTA, DBS-checked and clearly visible to members, parents and visitors. Clubs should have the LTA Safeguarding Policy, Diversity and Inclusion Policy and Codes of Conduct in place and make sure these are shared and understood by players, parents, coaches and volunteers.

Keeping venue registration and workforce details up to date is an important part of safeguarding. Clubs are expected to regularly check that their venue information on the LTA venue registration system is accurate and current. All coaches, assistants and regular

volunteers should be correctly recorded, and coaches delivering sessions must hold valid LTA Accreditation, including DBS clearance, safeguarding training and appropriate qualifications.

Good safeguarding practice also includes safe recruitment, suitable supervision ratios, completing risk assessments, and having clear guidance around changing rooms, travel and online communication.

Any safeguarding concerns must be reported promptly using LTA reporting procedures, with records kept securely and confidentially. Yorkshire Tennis continues to support clubs and welfare officers by offering advice, guidance and access to LTA resources. This included a webinar for clubs which was well attended and which feedback suggests was well received. Subject to demand we expect to run another safeguarding webinar in 2026.

By working together and keeping safeguarding at the forefront, Yorkshire Tennis clubs can continue to provide positive, safe tennis experiences for everyone involved.

Any questions, please contact Rosie and Helen at: safeguarding@yorkshiretennis.org.uk

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